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SUBJ: HARCOS/FLETCHER

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1. CONSULAR OFFICER SAW HARCOS/FLETCHER AFTERNOON MAY 30 AND PERSUADED THEM TO POSTPONE HUNGER STRIKE UNTIL JUNE 8. IT WAS MADE VERY CLEAR TO THEM USG WAS UNABLE TO PROMISE THEM ANYTHING IN THIS REGARD BUT CONSIDERED DELAY IN THEIR BEST INTERESTS.

2. HARCOS/FLETCHER SAID THEY HAVE TWO DEMANDS IN CONNECTION WITH COMING HUNGER STRIKE. ONE IS "WITHDRAWAL OF CHARGES AND BE DEPORTED." TWO IS "INVESTIGATION OF ALEX GHOSE (THE INVESTIGATING OFFICER, SPECIAL BRANCH) BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA."

3. FYI: THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY THAT WHEN THE COURT IS OFFICIALLY INFORMED BY HARCOS AND FLETCHER'S LAWYERS, THAT THEY ARE ON HUNGER STRIKE, THE PROSECUTION COULD ASK THAT THEIR BAIL BE RESCINDED.

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